

Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Laker School
Board of Education Regular Meeting
February 12, 2024
(Approved Minutes)

President Williams called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. in room 205 of Laker High School. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Todd Tate, Tom Ziel, Hans Eichler, Tyler Williams, Joel Fritz, Paul Scaddan and Mary Frances Tait.

Members Absent: none.

Approval of Regular Minutes Tait moved with support from Scaddan to approve the minutes dated January 21, 2024 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report Treasurer Fritz reported bills to be paid for February 2024 as: General Fund \$117,511.42; Food Service \$6,369.18; Payroll/Liabilities (Food Service to General Fund Transfer) \$34,767.66; 2018 Sinking Fund \$14,914.75. Fritz moved with support from Tait to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Acceptance of Agenda Tait moved with support from Eichler to accept the agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Participation No cards were presented to the Board and no further indication from the public was noted. Ample time was allotted.

2024 Board Committees Williams presented the 2024 Board Committees assignments. There were no desires of change expressed.

Personnel AD Comai submitted a Spring Coaching Roster. A quick review of the roster showed no change in coaches from 2023. Scaddan moved with second from Fritz to approve the Spring Coaching Roster as presented. Motion passed unanimously. Verburg accepted the offer of hire from last month. Tate moved with support from Ziel to hire Verburg as Laker Schools Superintendent effective July 1, 2024. Motion passed unanimously. Mary Wiederhold submitted her letter of resignation from her position in Food Service. Fritz moved with second from Tate to accept Wiederhold's letter of resignation with much regret and best wishes. Motion passed unanimously. A list of probationary teachers was presented from the building principals. Tait moved with second from Eichler to approve the recommendations of Tenure, Mia Diebel; 5th year: Hannah Hicks, Jeff Diebel; 4th year: David Snider, Ashley Mossner, Scott Mossner, Suzan Travis, Tim Warneck, Jodi Golochowicz; 3rd year: Colleen Cartwright, Mariel Pagnini, Brennan Wissner, Brianna Fibranz. 2nd year: Jessica Podlesney, Sarah Haag, Baylee Sargent, Heather Harder-Sting. Motion passed unanimously.

Friend of Youth The Board discussed possible nominees for Friend of Youth. Many great, deserving names from the community were discussed. Ziel moved with support from Scaddan to nominate Jeff and Kim Leipprandt as Laker 2024 Friend of Youth. Motion passed unanimously.

2024-2025 School Calendar Keim presented a countywide calendar model for 2024-2025 school year. After review, Tait moved with second from Eichler to approve the 2024-2025 School Calendar as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Capturing Kids Hearts Traction Visits Each Principal shared the feedback that they received from CKH trainer, Joe Pellerito's visit in January. All buildings are demonstrating solid growth and have been nominated for National Showcase School Honors.

ESSER Funding Discussion Stakeholders were invited to address the Board for their valuable input. At the time no one from the Public indicated interest to address the Board with input. Ample time was allotted.

Midyear Budget Update CFO Klosowski presented a reasonable projection of this year's budget and possible changes. Per Klosowski's projections the district should maintain a 12-15% fund balance. Klosowski highlighted some areas of significance. Tate moved with second from Ziel to approve the budget update as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

NEOLA Special Policy Update Tait reported that there were no points of concern expressed by the Board pertaining to the Special Policy Update – Nov 2023 as proposed. Tait moved with support from Eichler to approve the adoption of the Special Policy Update – Nov 2023 as presented as the second reading. Motion passed unanimously.

District Evaluation Tools Recent changes in labor laws directed the District to review the evaluation tools used for Teachers and Administrators. Currently the tools used: Teachers – Charlotte Danielson, Principals – School Advance and Superintendent – MASB. Fritz moved with second from Scaddan to approve the continuation of the District's current Evaluation Tools for 2024-2025 school year, with changes only as required by new PERA legislation. Motion passed unanimously.

Administrator Time Detailed written and verbal reports were received from administrators. The Administrators were given the opportunity to highlight their written report.

Other Business Discussion of Region 5 MASB Board of Directors, led to Tate moving with second from Ziel to cast Laker's vote to Jan Holz in the upcoming election. Motion passed unanimously.

With no further business before the Board, Tait moved with second from Eichler to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted –
Mary Frances Tait, Board of Education Secretary